

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jean-Jacques ZEILLER, et al.

Examiner: Zucker, Paul A

Serial No.: 10/566,995

Group Art Unit: 1621

Filed: February 2, 2006

Confirmation: 2593

Title: BUTENOIC ACID DERIVATIVES, PROCESSES FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF, PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING THEM, AND USE FOR THE TREATMENT OF DYSLIPIDAEMIA, ATHEROSCLEROSIS AND DIABETES

Letter regarding Information Disclosure Statement

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on mailed 2 February 2006, attached herewith are additional copies of the references cited in the PCT international search report.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner initial the form 1449 indicating that the references have been considered.

No fee is believed to be due with this submission, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

/Jennifer Branigan/

Jennifer Branigan, Reg. No. 40,921

Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)

MILLEN, WHITE, ZELANO

& BRANIGAN, P.C.

Arlington Courthouse Plaza 1, Suite 1400

2200 Clarendon Boulevard

Arlington, Virginia 22201

Telephone: (703) 243-6333

Facsimile: (703) 243-6410

Attorney Docket No.: MERCK-3129

Date: **31 July 2009**